

**Amendment
to a Fish and Wildlife Service Manual Chapter**

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| Series: Natural and Cultural Resources Management |
| Part 614: Cultural Resources Management |
| Chapter 4: Authorization to Use Cultural Resources for Research and Study |
| Amendment Number: 1 |
| Purpose: This amendment updates section 4.5A(1) by removing language to clarify when Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) permits are not issued. The adjusted language better supports and aligns with the intent of the law. |

Action:

Under section 4.5A, strike subsection (1) so that the following language:

“(1) The person performing the study or research is a qualified professional, unless that individual passes the work to another, less qualified person. If this happens, an ARPA permit may be required.

(2) The study or research is conducted by an institution under a contract issued in accordance with Federal procurement regulations (e.g., for work contracted and managed by the Service as part of its NHPA Section 106 compliance).

(3) The work is conducted by a Service archaeologist, historian, or other subject matter expert at the request of a Project Leader/Field Station Manager.

(4) The study or research will not be destructive. In this case, an SUP is still required, and the Regional Director may also still choose to require an ARPA permit.”

Is changed to:

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